and in his fellows. But my love to God can ss itself how? By obedience to all the ruth that he reveals to me, by service to his children, my brothers; by obedience CHRISTMAS PROBLEMS HOLD THE and service, if needs be by the sacrifice of

If you should to-day give body and mind and heart and will to this obedience, to this service, to this sacrifice, you would know then in actual experience what religion is in its essence. And no one can realize what religion is unless he puts into practice these three principles. Devote your life to obedience, service,

sacrifice, and through it there will breathe | Christmas solely as a present-receiving the spirit of a great helpfulness, and from your life there will flow love and light and | magazines. It is so much more joyful to life for your fellow-men.

### HOW TURKISH WOMEN DRESS. Neither Corset Nor Stockings-Curious Articles of Attire. New York World.

In not a single respect is a Turkish ady's attire similar to that worn by the t, save that all Turkish women wear rousers and a veil.

The two most interesting and important points are that the Turkish woman wears ng whatever in the place of corsets, but nstead of stockings knitted woolen socks. often these are open-worked very skillully, and have a mixture of silk threads. and in gold.

The very first garment the woman of the Orient puts on is a long-sleeve chemise of roussa crepe gauze. This is made exactly all sides. like the seamless holy coat of Treves, and its neck is cut out and hemmed in a close

chintz or cretonne, and are vivid and startling in pattern and color. They are put on immediately after the chemise, and are he walst, tied in front, and they hang | send him the latest work that has been | tacks. down over the ankles. The entarri, a garment taking the place

f the trained skirts of the West, comes perhaps of rich brocade, perhaps of a may be made, it is bright and gay. It con- pictures of herself. The gift should have rilliant tint, but of whatever material it sists of four breadths. Next in order comes the sash and the

leeves are sometimes elbow sleeves, always ose and sometimes left flowing below the sloow. The curious thing about this jacket is that, while it is well fitted in the back, all the portion that should cover the breast is cut away, leaving the entire bust ex-

While the other portions of the costume worn by Furkish women are wonderfully picturesque, the most pride of all is taken in the jacket. Velvet, silk or satin are the materials used for it. The wives of the richest Mahometans have it embroidered with seed pearls, turquois or coral, and al-Exceedingly important, too, really the most important article in this attire, is the yashmak, or Turkish veil. The Turkish roman wears no hat, but she nevertheless

s not debarred from the usual feminine prerogative, for it is invariably in order for her to query whether her yashmak is on straight. In fact, a woman shows whether she has style or not by the way she wears this veil. It is the law of the Prophet that fahometan women shall never be without it when out of their homes, and this law is rigidly adhered to. One valuable use the veil has. It ethereal-izes by its folds the entire face, a very nec-

essary thing when the feminine custom of painting the whole countenance is taken nto consideration. Without her veil the furkish woman looks rather ghastly when he is in full regalia. Her eyebrows are ackened with kohl, her lips are crimsoned, her cheeks are dyed carmine, and the rest of her face is whitened with arsenic paste or some similar compound.

### SAILING ICEBOATS. The Sport at Its Best on the Lake Near Rochester, New York.

The members of the Rochester and Irondeparing for a great season of sport on the bay this winter. The cold weather has aroused the boys from the inactivity which always follows the fell regatta, and for the past hustling to get things in shape to enjoy the sport as soon as the weather furnishes an

Iceboating has been popular among the local cancelsts for several years past, but the sport has never received the attention in this city that it bids fair to do this winter. Several new boats are either building or will be built by the paddlers, and some portsmen who are not affiliated with the of taking part in the pastime, and procuring suitable craft for this purpose. Whether the latter gentlemen carry out their projects or not, it is certain that a good-sized fleet of white-winged flyers will be out on the bay in December.

feet, but it is proposed to have some of the new ones built on larger lines. The object of this is to get passenger room, as in the smaller craft only three or four persons can be accommodated. One builder intends to llow the model of the ordinary Hudson ver iceboat, which is of heavier construcion than those used in this part of the

boat is its main point of attraction. With a good wind one can fly over the glistening ce at the rate of a mile a minute, and the sensation that results is both novel and exillarating. There is also plenty of excitement, as spills are numerous, and it keeps to be at least fifty before she can either air holes and fissures which are to be found measure or appreciate the value of a every large sheet of ice.

To the novice the pastime at first appears to be exceedingly dangerous, as well is unpleasant. The wind takes his breath away, and he is in constant dread that the lot will run his boat into some opening ind turn his passengers out into the freezing water. Two or three trips will, however, ture the rider of this timidity as he realizes with what ease and dexterity one of the ciature sloops can be handled The true sportsman always wants as much

wind as he can get, and will pile on canvas until the boat seems to fairly fly ugh space. It wouldn't be any fun if he dn't get a spin now and then, but he is lways skillful enough to see that he is not pped into the water. One of the most easing features of iceboating is racing nd a friendly trial of speed with a rival oat is looked forward to with eagerness y every crew that goes on to the ice. There is the most intense rivalry between but the defeated party always takes it ood naturedly, and awaits an opportunity

boys at present are making every effort to get the boats ready for the second week of December, by which time there is usually ice enough to make sailing safe. There is, however, a great deal of work upon one of the sloop-rigged little ships, and it will require all of their spare time to accomplish their object.

# LIBELED SNAKES OF INDIA.

### Why the Statistics of Death from Spake Bites are Exaggerated.

New York Sun, Every little while I read in the newsrs that so many thousands of people re killed in India annually by venomouserpents and wild beasts, and that large rewards are paid every year by the home government as bounty on the destruction of these deadly foes to native humanity, said Remsen Murray, an Englishman who lived many years in India. 'Last year, I have read, 23,000 people fell victims to snake bites there alone. Statistics show that the government paid 130,000 rupees for the de-struction of wild animals last year, and only a little more than twelve thousand rupees for the destruction of snakes. "Do you know what that discrepancy means? It means that the Indian officials are taking the returns of fatalities from snake bites with a large amount of salt. It is gradually dawning upon them that about every death that occurs in India from unexplained cases, and a great portion of the suicides and murders, of which there are more in India than any other place on the be, are classified under the head of aths from snake bites, the most connient and plausible cause that may be

"It has been discovered within the past ears that a popular mode of poisoning ils in India, by means of which a drug called datura is injected into the foot, a puncture thus being produced which any one would take for a snake bite. The fakirs and the thugs of India have given the serpent population of that country a more terthis name than it deserves."

# The Difference.

# FOR WOMEN'S READING

THOUGHTS OF YOUNG AND OLD.

Understanding of Mother-Love Comes Late-Women No Longer Grow Old in Feeling-A Girl's Reason.

time, says a writer in one of the December teach them anew each Christmas that it is a season for making gifts, because of the gladness in one's heart, and that it is much more joyful to give glad surprises to those whom fortune treats shabbily than to receive looked-for gifts oneself. It's a good thing, of course, to give the washerwoman's children mittens all round, women of the Occident. Amazingly little is but it's more like the real Christmas spirit known, in fact, about the wardrobe of the to give their mother extra work enough women of the harem, and the average in the first cold work in October so that American woman has, little idea regarding in the first cold week in October so that she can buy them mittens, and when Christmas comes round give them something to bring a little jollification into their o corsets and no stockings. She has noth- cheerless existences-such as a sled for the girl and a box of drawing implements for the boy, who has undoubted talent for drawing and never a tool to work with. ne are elaborately embroidered in colors | Then let Christmas bring its unlooked-for gifts to the children of one's own family, and happiness will pre-empt the ground on

There are always each year a few friends whom one wishes to remember, but is not bout four inches longer than the leg, never will be. Can he be remembered? fastening pictures, simply framed in passepublished on whist playing, if that is his pet vocation, or a brochure on golf if he is a devotee of this sport. It is not good form for an unmarried woman to give a man friend who is not her fiance jewelry, by which they were suspended were covered or anything of much intrinsic value, or with yellow ribbons and the hooks were some peculiar value in itself, however, such as a photograph of a famous horse facket, the latter being only worn in warm | would have for a horse lover, or a fanciweather. It is shaped like what we call an ful jar of sand from the donor's seashore used to hold the "joss sticks" for incense bachelor lodgings. He may always send flowers to a married or to an unmarried woman. A favorite gift of society men to ladies of their acquaintance is a large box of fine confectionery, and it is a pretty conceit to have the bonbon tongs of cheap metal taken from the box and one of silver inserted. Fine French candles made by the donor, and done up as they do them up in swell shops, make nice gifts for the woman to make who has more time and skill than

### she has money. Not on the Shelf.

One of the greatest mistakes in life is that of a woman sitting down when she has pretty, and quite like the action of some sweet old story, the patient waiting with pale face, and placid smile, and folded hands, playing in a way the part of the old lares and penates beside the fire; but there are much more effective parts than that of a statue in a niche, and there seems to he no real reason for going into the grave It is not, however, very long since this

before itels ready for us, attitude was thought the proper thing for the elderly. Women with gray hair not only hid it with wig or cap, or both, but hid and effaced themselves as well. Age was unlovely, they said, and so they put it out of sight, as far as they could, by clinging to the chimney corner. Of course they were useful there; the grandmother, the old aunt, is useful everywhere; and, of course, they were in the way of perfecting character and of becoming saints through sacrifice and renunciation. But they did not have much very vivid enjoyment. What enjoyment they dld have was chiefly vicarious—joy at seeing and knowing the joy of

It is fortunate for women of advancing changed, and that it is expected they shall ures of society. They belong now to clubs; they are engaged in various public and semi-public work; they are actively interperience is as fully acknowledged as the value of youth, and sparkle, and beauty. It is a pleasant sight now in all the country towns where the trolley car has pene-trated to see these rather elderly women taking their rides; to see their pleasure in what would have been considered by their grandmothers a wild abandonment; to see them doing their own shopping in all places, attending to their check books and bank accounts, when they have such articles, by no means relinquishing their rights in church management, their interest in public questions, and following or adopting the fashions to such extent as they please.

# Appreciation of Mother.

New York Evening Sun. A group of women were, the other day, discussing the following fact: "That one's ideas and standards have such a curious way of changing with increasing years." "Especially with respect to mothers," said the oldest member of the group. "One has my mother wasn't just one of your ordinary, every-day mothers, either. She was a splendid woman with high ideals and pure standards, and she loved her children passionately, but nevertheless I can remember when I impartially characterized her as 'queer.' Of course I recognized that she had certain excellencies, but they were of minor portance. Of course, too, I loved her in an imperfect, impersonal sort of way, but I rather wondered at, if not openly criticised many of her ideas. I thought it very obtuse of her to not see how suitable (and becoming) my pink silk frock was for school wear, and I regularly rebelled against her dictum that one piece of mince pie at a time was sufficient. A little later, after I had assumed the dignity of my 'teens, thought it even 'queerer' that she shoul continue to treat me as a child, and I did wish she would stop it. She kept advising and cautioning me about things that, to my thinking, I was much better able to advise her upon-such as choosing frocks and se-lecting friends. One thing was particularly obnoxious to me. Whenever I started to go down stairs, no matter where we migh be, she had a way of calling out, 'Don' fall, darling.' I suppose she got into the habit of it when I was tearning to walk, but she kept it up after I was a grown woman, as long as she lived, in fact. It used to irk me terribly and I grumbled about it much and openly. Not until-well, long afterward, did I feel differently. But it was too late then. And the other day when a child bounded past me down the elevated station steps, and her mother called out, 'Don't fall, darling!' I would have given the world-but it shows how one's ideas may alter," ended the woman, with a queer little break in her voice,

# System in Shopping.

New York Times. All Christmas shopping has its anxieties, whether it is being accomplished with a well-filled purse or a meagre one. Choice is the perplexing question with a price of 25 cents or of \$25. Every year brings the same tantalizing dilemmas, the wise virgins who keep a notebook through the year of friends' expressions wishes to aid them at this moment being few and far between A woman of experience says that the makes it an invariable rule to spend one day in early December in a round of the shops, not permitting herself a single purchase. "I go armed with tablet and pencil, and I put down every suggestive article, its price, and where seen. Then at home, with calmness and deliberation, I go over my list of Christmas recipients, and from the two presentments of supply and demand I evolve a third and final allotment. Then I start out with a definite plan, and it is comparatively easy to accomplish what seems in the beginning formidable. Christseems in the beginning formidable Christ-

### mas shopping. The Ideal Kitchen.

Ladies' Home Journal. It may be surprising to learn that our forefathers were much ahead of us in this regard. In the middle ages palaces, castles

In the model kitchen of the present, in the old, the walls should be of glazed tiles or enameled brick to the height of six or seven feet. In place of these painted brick or plaster may be used. Soapstone is also excellent. The tiles or brick should be carried clear to the floor, no wooden baseboard must be used. The floor should be of tiles, plain mosaic, stone or cement, all hard and dirt-resisting, and easily kept it be plain, with as few joints and crevices as possible. Your cook will at first object to this style of flooring, but a few days'

### Dade of Photographs.

Philadelphia Times. Picture framing is always expensive. One frame is not such an item, but when it comes to a dozen photographs, water colors or engravings one stands aghast at the total cost. In many new houses frames go in with the rent, so to speak.

In rooms which are wainscoted lengths of glass are placed so that the upper molding forms the base of the frame and another molding is placed at the top to hold the glass. How dear to the heart are the hundred photographs collected abroad! What more calculated to give a constant joy than these "all in a row" around the own den? These may be slipped behind the glass, as the molding is easily removed, thus a dado is made for all to admire If a separation is desired a narrow molding to match is easily obtainable. A firm hand with a penknife and a few tacks only are needed, and a room is transformed. Another way is a molding placed half way between floor and ceiling, with the photographs set upon it, and a long ribbon in the tone of the room is stretched above and holds them in place.

They are fastened by a drawing string at | Certainly. It is perfectly good form to | partout, upon it, with large headed brass In a young girl's room, recently "done" by a well-known decorator, the only color was yellow. A few fine engravings were framed in white and gold, but the wires

A charming effect is obtained in forming

a background of velvet, its own width, and

## An Inquisitive Child.

hidden by a huge rosette.

Philadelphia Inquirer. "Talk about children," said a young woman the other day, "why, I'm honestly afraid sticks) which he is fond of burning in his of them. I feel just about as safe when dynamite bomb was rolling about under my | flerce gales of winter; has seen the beauty feet. It seems to me children are always striving to make a sensation. Sometimes I can't tell whether it is pure guilelessness or wicked premeditation on their part to do or say something that gives a want-tosink-through-the-earth feeling to their eld-

"Now just imagine my sensations as a hostess when several people paid a most unexpected visit to my surburban home on Monday, the scrap day of all house-keepers, and settled down for luncheon. "I hadn't time to get up any extras except hustle a few of my company preserves on the table and make a raid on waiting for death. It may be exceedingly hash, but honestly it was 'all original as the boarding house lady de-

"One of my visitors brought with her an inquiring young man of five. It seems this child has a mania for investigating the former condition of all eatables before they have passed into the cook's hands. I didn't know this at the time, so you can imagine my horror when the hash was brought on to see that child fasten his eyes upon it and, in the interests of culin-ary science. loudly ask: 'Mamma, what was that when it was alive?' "

### "Unbecoming Friends." New York Tribune.

"Why do you go so little with Maud D.?" asked a mother of her daughter, a girl

"You will laugh if I tell you, mamma," can, so that the heirs she so much dissaid this up-to-date young woman, "but it is simply because she is so unbecoming to me; I simply cannot afford it. I like her is should be said, and her property is in England. One of the Lucania's people said yesterday: "I do not know why Mrs. Car-"You will laugh if I tell you, mamma," friend is really a great affliction. There are some girls that make you look stumpy, and others that make you look fat. A form a part of society and of all the pleas- fair, fresh girl will make a dark, sallow one look yellower than ever, while the latter often makes the former resemble a broad-faced milkmaid. Look at Ethel M. ested in charities; they are not deprived of and Carrie S. They have been devoted to any invitation because of their years; and the value of their wisdom and mellowed exother stayed a roly-poly little thing, and now they look positively ridiculous together vhen they are walking on the avenua Carrie alone would be rather pretty, although she is short and plump, but with Ethel she seems a positive dwarf. "That is the worst of tall people, by the way; they make every one else appear to be undersized. Of course, you cannot exactly choose a friend as you would a gown, because she sets you off to the best advantage; but, all the same, it is much nicer to have some one who harmon-

# izes with your general appearance."

Bits of Fashion. Chinchilla is one of the very fashionable Muffs will be in vogue this winter, and they are made of various materials, and in

many shapes and sizes. The plain fur muff is rather small and compact, but the elaborate velvet affairs are very large, to match the hat and color they accompany. It all and has one wide box pleat down the front

decorated with large jet buttons. Black moire trimmed very elaborately on the bodice portion with jet-spangled chiffon forms a very elegant and very popular gown for receptions, dinners and afternoon teas. Many women who have tired of black satio have taken again to skirts of plain and flowered black moire, wearing them with fancy bodices of very elegant description. Following a popular English caprice, cos-tumes of red corded silk of the "standalone" quality, red terry velvet, and red bengaline are made into fur-edged tailor costumes for receptions, calling and even for bridesmaids' costumes at church weddings. Very many people have a decided antipathy to this color, but on a dull, leaden winter's day red in some of its tones has

the effect of a tonic. Passementerie decorations are more than ver in vogue. Those which emanate from Paris are exceptionally beautiful, and many f the Parisian-patterned bands and appliques are marvelous in their devices and color-blendings. Eastern ideas now appear among less expensive trimmings, many of which are used upon a new and pretty cloth abric which exactly resembles a basket plaid in pattern, the goods doing excellent duty as a serviceable material for tailor

Among the waists for dressy afternoon wear with black or dark skirts are those of chine, taffeta, or faille silk with dark grounds well covered with shadowy Pompadour figures. Useful, yet very rich-look- whose interest will stimulate attention and ing, day waists are also made of dark-green fully explain why we remember that which or plain colored silk, with blurred carnations or roses scattered over the surface, cidedly better to follow up our individual in-These waists have, as a rule, no trimming excepting very handsome gold and cut-steel buttons of large size. Other more elaborate | princess in fiction who ought to have been waists have costly lace collars or yokes held down on the fronts by rhinestone or jeweled buttons.

# QUESTIONS IN MORALS.

### Men of Prayer and Peace Dangerous When Provoked.

At the ancient and peaceful Italian town of Viterbo there was an incident, a short 'Twas. Sunday; the monks were at prayer in their cells when the monastery was suddenly attacked by a band of brigands, bent upon plunder. It was a critical moment for the pious monks; what were they to do? Pray for succor? Possibly they did so. Remonstrate with the brigands? There wasn't time for that; and, besides, it their goods and things? That might have been an error in morals. Fight? would think of it? The monks couldn't have thought long, for twenty of them seized twenty old muskets, fell upon the brigands, wounded several of them, probwith the butt end of the muskets. and chased the whole gang out of the Viter-bo. Now what would the apostolic dele-gate, Dr. Satolli, say to that? Did the prayerful men do the correct thing? The town of Viterbo lies beside an extinct

whole in the great fireplaces, but where one is thinking of building or owns a home and is desirious of remodeling it, it might be well to investigate and see what ideas may be borrowed with profit from the arrangements obtaining in primitive got a chance to hit him. Brother Swadener's blood was now on the boil. He rushed upon his assailant in a fashion unknown to Corbett or Sullivan, pummeled a certain amount of life out of him and flung the wretch into the street. Was this the correct thing? Possibly it was. What is | the religion of Rev. Madison Swadener? We do not know; but we should like to ask why he ought not to get the degree of D. D. We had another pretty good story the other day about a small Chinese laundryman, Mr. Wong Sing, who, when assailed clean. Have as little woodwork as pos- man, Mr. Wong Sing, who, when assailed sible, and what you are obliged to have let by a big burglar armed with a gas pipe, wrenched the weapon out of the villain's hands and laid him low with it. It is more than likely that Wong Sing is a pagan; care of this cleanly surface will convince but in following the example of the hooded monks of Viterbo, and that of Rev. Mr. Swedener, of Cincinnati, he has taken one step away from Confucius. What of his conduct, from the religious point of view?

# AVOIDING RELATIVES.

One Way to Do It Is to Live on an Ocean Steamship.

New York Letter. For the third time since she began her trips in 1893 the Cunard steamship Lucania came in here last week without having Mrs. Carson on board and it was an event in the history of the steamer. It did not seem like the same vessel with this strange

Anyone in search of a good boarding house might get some points from Mrs. Carson-address the North Atlantic ocean.
The old song tells of a "Home on the
Rolling Deep," but Mrs. Carson is probably the only person whose home is really there. Officers and sailors "go down to the sea in ships" to "do business on the great deep," and leave their homes on shore, but Mrs. Carson has her home on the sea, and only goes ashore for business or pleasure. Her pleasant floating home is the Cunard steamship Lucania, and she is greatly attached to it. For how many years Mrs. Carson has been making her home on the north Atlantic nobody seems to know exactly, but she was going back and forward between New York and Liverpool for some time be-

When the big Cunarder was launched Mrs. Carson inspected her and concluded to take board on her. She selected a roomy eabin, and, setting up her Lares and

fore the Lucania set forth for the first

Penatos therein settled down comfortably to enjoy her new home. The Lucania is now in her twenty-sixth trip; that is, she has crossed the ocean fifty-one times. Only twice before the present trip has Mrs. Carson been absent from the steamer when she plunged "the ocean blue." Therefore, she has a youngster is around as I would if a in the gentle breezes of summer and the of the sights of the starlight and moonlight, and the sights of darkness and storm. Sometimes, when the vessel is in port, she goes to a hotel for a day or two; more often she does not leave the ship, for she is a Of the reasons for Mrs. Carson's choice of a boarding house, only the bare outlines are known. She is supposed to be a widow. She is known to be a woman of means, and to cordially dislike and dis-trust the relatives to whom her property will go upon her death. She does not want to be where they can get at her, and she does like the sea. So, instead of going to some out-of-the-way place on the continent

chooses the Atlantic ocean as her home and the Lucania as her boarding house. Mrs. Carson is about forty-five years old, enjoy thoroughly her strange life. Nobody knows how many times she has crossed the ocean since she took up her home on the "bounding billow," but her long experience has made her a good sailor, and she knows all about the ship and the handling of her in storm and calm. It is supposed that some important business connected with her property caused this break in her life. It is confidently expected that she will be aboard next trip, for she has shown no inclination to change her boarding-house. It is possible that Mrs. Carson has gone to inspect some other ship, with an idea of moving, but the

Lucania's people do not think it probable. Mrs. Carson spends her money liberally, and, it is sald, has announced her intention of getting rid of all she conveniently son did not come this trip, I am sure. It must have been something very important to keep her ashore. Only twice before has she missed a trip since the ship was

### REMEMBERING WHAT ONE READS. It May Be Done by Following Up Current Matters of Interest.

He who reads quite moderately presently

finds that he has pored over a vast number

Northwestern Advocate.

launched, and we missoher very much.

of pages. One falls to wondering how a tithe of his reading can be remembered and made permanently profitable. How shall one escape the human habit of forgetting? The real secret of memory is attention, and the secret of attention is interest. While some general plan for reading is altogether there is abundant room for special reading which may not be according to any special plan. We have found it well to indulge some special appetites and sudden in-terests occasioned by some public event or individual private happening. If it chances that our current news reminds us that there is talk about a war with England over the Venezuelan boundary question, we are piqued to learn more of the latter country. The quest involves the history of Spanish attempts to colonize in Central America and northern South America. The later revolt of those colonies against Spain led directly to the wars between France and Spain roke covers nearly half of the red velvet | the North American colonies found their opwaist, which fits very snugly in the back, portunity to make their own declaration of adependence and found these United States. A little further reading reveals the reasons why certain European nations made their "holy alliance" for mutual protection in Europe and America, and how our own ' roe doctrine" became our Yankee reply to the aims of that holy alliance. It is easy to see that a reader who follows his immediate mental interest is sure to grow quickened attention, and memory is as sure to interest. If the news Constantinople shows that the Sultan of Turkey hesitates to allow the six powers to send a war ship each to that city, we are inclined to ascertain why he hesitates and why Russia shows signs of supporting the Sultan. That reading involves the whole question concerning the neutralization of the Dardanelles and the Black sea, the claims of Russia arising out of the Crimean war, and the issues that may presently come through the attempt to drive the Turk out of Europe. The same search will give hints respecting the rise of Mohammedanism, and we must not be surprised if the Eastern struggle is precipitated long before our bit of side-reading is completed. If we are attracted by the news that gold in wonderful amounts is now being discovered in Colorado and that the next will be, perhaps, the most wonderful year in the history of American gold mining, we may presently find ourselves reading petrology, mineralogy, geology, assaying and the history of mints and coins. An earthquake in Italy or Asia may plunge us into special reading whose interest will stimulate attention and we read under such conditions. It is deterest in current matters than to souander time over the sorrows or loves of some a chambermaid and whose imaginary story is trifling or contemptible when placed in the scales with that of some of the noblest men and angelic women who adorn the pages of actual human history. The citizen who lounges around the corners of the world and gossips with the tramps of loaf-erdom is fully as dignified as he or she who

### writing about. THE BICYCLE LAMP. One Operated by Electricity Said to Be Practicable.

eagerly reads a vapid novel which involves

a quality of beings unworthy reading or

The bicyclist has come to realize that he wants not only a signal light, but also riding light. When a riding light is introduced which will illuminate the roadway brightly for thirty or forty feet, or even a greater distance, ahead, travel can be accomplished with ease and safety. Many electricians are now at work on the production of such a light. One promising form of electric lantern consists of three cells of storage battery, operating a small, one-candle-power incandescent lamp, ar-ranged in a suitable reflector. Each cell contains two plates, 11/2 inches by 3% inches Philadelphia Inquirer.

Philadelphia Inquirer.

Mr. Cleveland is duck-shooting with a view, it is said, "to recuperate from the strain are of the of his message." But the people who are compelled to read that message and have not yet recovered from the strain are compelled to stick to business.

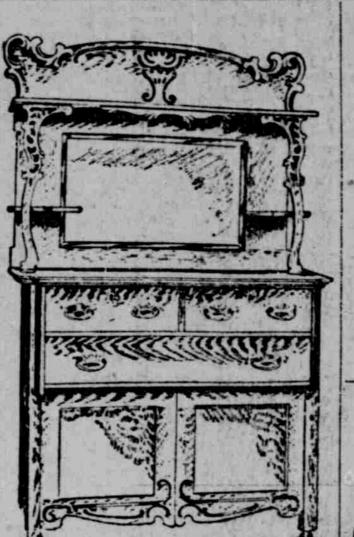
The Difference.

Philadelphia Inquirer.

In size. Inis oattery operates the lamp for four hours continuously. The weight of the would seem that the volcano; but it would seem that the volcano and other banks, the Expense of the seem that the volcano and the center of busin in size. This battery operates the lamp for

# Gifts That Real Pleasure

The time for gandy, frivolous gifts has passed. People have begun to realize that it is the substantial, serviceable articles that are best appreciated. We've got six big double floors full of just such presents. They are things that are useful every day in the year-beautiful Reception Chairs, Parlor Suits, Onyx Tables, Bedroom and Sitting Room Furniture, exquisite China Closets, etc. In all of our experience we have never had such throngs of buyers, and it's because serviceable presents have triumphed over those that simply please the eye.



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ELEGANT SIDEBOARDS, \$10.50 upwards.



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distance of one hundred inches between centers. For a standard, a sixteen-candlepower incandescent lamp, previously stand-ardized from standard English candles burning 120 grains per hour, was used, and under these conditions, which are accurate, various lanterns were tested. An oil lantern burning signal oil gave

An odd and fanciful waist to wear with a black crepon skirt is of red silk velvet of elegant quality and rich lustre, with full sleeves of Roman plaid taffeta silk. A jetted vious continental wars so occupied her that tion of the efficiency of the electric lantern, 314 candle-power; an oil lantern burning that during the recent eclipse of the moon, when no street lamps were lighted and the streets of San Francisco were in intense darkness, a wheelman, by the aid of the electric lantern on his bicycle, was able to discern another bicyclist turn into the street at the further end of the block, a distance of six hundred feet away. The lantern gave a splendid riding light and lit up the roadway brilliantly for a distance of fifty feet. In future practice there will be a second electric lamp, operated from the same battery, attached to the saddle post and pointing backward. This will give a red light, and will serve as a real

CITY OF THE GOLDEN HORN.

Interesting Information Regarding the Capital of Turkey. St. James's Budget. Now that public attention is so keenly drawn to the almost anarchic state of Turkey, the following particulars of the capital of the Ottoman empire will be of in-terest: Byzantium, Islamboul, or Constancalled, is situated at the junction of the Bosphorus and the Sea of Marmora, and may be said to be composed of three dis-tinct towns, viz.: Stamboul, Pera-Galata The two first named are on the Euro-pean shore, and are divided by the creek called the Golden Horn, while Scutari lies on the Asiatic side, and is separated from them by the Bosphorus. Stamboul, or Constantinople proper, occupies the site of and cient Byzantium, and, like ancient Rome, is built on seven hills. On the first of these are the Old Seraglio and the famous mosque of Santa Sophia. Stamboul lies on a triangular promontory washed by the waters of the Golden Horn on the north and by the limpid Sea of Marmora on the south, while the swift current of the Bosphorus flows past its eastern front. Scutari, although a suburb of Constaninople, is practically a separate town, the distance across the water being about two miles. It largely resembles Stambout, both externally and internally, with its numerous mosques, its bazaars, public baths and manufactories. It will be remembered chiefly by English readers on account of its hospital having been used by the Anglo-French army in the winter of 1854-5 and by reason of its beautiful English cemetery with its monument to the heroes of the Crimean campaign. Its population is now about 60,000, that of the whole capitai being about one million and a half, Stamboul is the native city, and contains

most of the government and public buildings. Here are situated, for instance, the Sublime Porte (gateway of justice, from which the government of Turkey takes its name), the war office, the seraglio, the law courts, the railway station, the customhouse, the mosques of Santa Sophia and countless others; the mint and museums, the Han Yeni, and the Egyptian bazaars. The landward side of the city of Stamboul is bounded by the walls of Theodosius, rebuilt in 447 A. D., and now in a ruinous

Pera-Galata trams run, and where the best hotels, the British embassy and the Petits hotels, the British embassy and the Petits Champs Municipality Gardens are situated. BUSINESS DIRECTORY. The Yildiz Kiosk, where at present the Sultan resides, is practically in the country, about four miles from the Sublime Porte. The palace is surrounded by barracks, where a large force of the Imperial Guards is quartered; and no strangers are allowed to enter the gates. The Golden Horn-La Corne, d'Or, Chryso BELTING, EMERY WHEELS and SAWS conjure. That its greater glory is now gone is not to be disputed; that it still remains the most interesting strip of water in the world is as little to be denied. On one side of it rises a lordly line of

mosques, those of Santa Sophia, Sultan Mahmoud, Sultan Selim, Sultan Bajazet,

f Sultan Mahmond, conqueror of the 'hristians-who shall say how many more? I'p the heights on the further shore climb the palaces of the foreign embassadors, that of Britain as is meet and right, standing above them all. Crouching down by the water's edge are the arsenal and the admiralty, barracks and customhouses, prisons and powder magazine; every one who wishes to pile up a block of government buildings seeks a site for it on the shores of the Golden Horn. Until sixty years ago, those who wished to cross the Horn called up a kaik or waited for a ferryboat; then it occurred to the Sultan Mahmoud II that a permanent way might be an advantage. Accordingly he summoned the grand admiral-no less important an official is custodian of the Golden Horn-and bade him see the thing should be done, the Sultan adding significantly that he meant to survey the undertaking in person at a specified date, Georgi, a Greek, took the work in hand and did it well, as his lord attested, when the way was baptized in the name "Noos-

rage is allowed throughout the night, that the followers of Allah may visit the mosques at their own times. The World's Greatest River.

sretya" (the benefaction). From sunset to

that this bridge should remain open, while

during the feast of Rhamazan free pas-

unrise throughout the year it was declared

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The Amazon is in every respect but length the greatest river in the world. At many points in its lower course so vast is its tide that one shore is invisible from the other. the observer seeming to look out into a rolling sea of turbid water. It has over four hundred tributaries, great and small, which rise in so many different climates that when one set is at flood height the others are at ebb, and vice versa, so that the bulk of the great river remains unchanged the whole year round. At one thousand miles from its mouth it is navigable for large-sized ships, and at two thousand for steamboats of the largest size. The Indians living on one bank of its lower course know no of those on the opposite shore than if they dwelt in another continent. The mouth of this giant stream is 180 miles wide, and the is observable four kindred miles from the coast.

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